

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 7, at line 3 as shown below:

The serrated blade 200 is mounted to move relative to the plane of said panel 100 as formed, the blade moving vertically initially to cut through the fibers of the top first skin 101 without crushing the sandwich material at his place, and then moving vertically and horizontally back-and-forth relative to the plane of said panel so as to cut through the entire thickness of the cellular core. The cutting of the incision 104 may be of a force toward the cellular core 102 sufficient to produce deformation of the first skin 101 into the cellular core 102. The deformation of the first skin 101 may be greater than the thickness of the first skin 101. The deformation of the first skin 101 is generally at an angle greater than 30 degrees into the core 102. The cutting may further produce local crushing of the core 102.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 8, at line 15 as shown below:

The testpieces (one of which is shown in Figure 4) were fatigue tested by performing opening and closure cycles as indicated by arrow I, the opening amplitude varying from a minimum of 3 degrees to a maximum of 45 degrees of separation of the hinged portions (107, 108) having contact at the skin 103. The hinge generally provides for multiple flexures of the panel at said hinge.